"BEST DAM CHILI IN THE KICKAPOO VALLEY" CHILI CONTEST KICKAPOO VALLEY RESERVE WINTER FESTIVAL JANUARY 7, 2017

Guidelines for entering the chili contest:

- 1) Notify the Kickapoo Valley Reserve (KVR) that you will be entering the contest by **January 7, 2017.** Please provide the following information by contacting the KVR at (608) 625-2960 or kickapoo.reserve@krm.state.wi.us:
 - name of cook and, if applicable, business/organization you're entering on behalf of.
- 2) ANY kind of chili is acceptable. For informational purposes, you can provide recipes and instructions during judging, if you wish.
- 3) The use of quality ingredients and sanitary preparation methods are recommended since samples will be provided for consumption by judges and the general public.
- 4) Prepare FIVE QUARTS of your chili. This is the amount that will be used for samples during judging. You may bring more if you wish for general consumption that day.
- 5) Deliver entry(ies) to the KVR Visitor Center no later than **10:00 AM** on Saturday, January 7, 2017. Entries received after 10:00 AM will be eligible for the "Popular Vote" ONLY.
- 6) Have your chili in a crock pot or slow cooker. You will only have one hour prior to serving to heat your chili so please plan accordingly (i.e., no time to thaw frozen chili). Please put your name on the bottom of your appliance.
- 7) Two categories for judging:
 - "Popular Vote" One chili will be selected by the general public (one person, one vote) and recognized as the "Popular Vote". Judging will be done in a blind taste test. The general public will pay a small fee at the door to taste all entries and vote.
 - "Judges' Choice" One chili will be selected by a panel of judges and recognized as the "Judges' Choice". Judging will be done in a blind taste test.
- 8) Winners will be announced between 2:00 3:00 PM in KVR Visitor Center lobby.
- 9) The overall "Judge's Choice" and the "Popular Vote" winners' names will be placed on the commemorative plaque, which is proudly displayed in the KVR Visitor Center.

Call or e-mail with any questions: (608) 625-2960 or kickapoo.reserve@krm.state.wi.us

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